

## Message Text

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C O N F I D E N T I A L SEOUL 3696

E.O. 11652: GDS  
TAGS: EAIR, PEPR, KS, US  
SUBJ: KAL INCIDENT - RECOVERY OF AIRCRAFT

1. FOREIGN MINISTRY ADVISED US MAY 3 THAT ROKG IS STILL CON-  
SIDERING WHETHER TO SEEK RETURN OF KAL AIRCRAFT FROM SOVIETS.  
AT PRESENT, THEY ARE WAITING TO HEAR THE VIEWS OF THE PRIVATE  
COMPANIES INVOLVED - KAL, BOEING, AND THE INSURANCE COMPANY.  
FOREIGN MINISTRY THINKING IS THAT THEY WOULD LIKE TO BE  
ABLE TO CONSIDER THE INCIDENT AS CLOSED AND NOT MAKE A  
DIPLOMATIC ISSUE OVER THE PLANE'S RETURN. THE INVESTIGATION  
OF THE INCIDENT'S CAUSE, HOWEVER, WILL BE PURSUED ACTIVELY  
ON RETURN OF THE PILOT AND NAVIGATOR AND TH ROKG MAY SEEK  
SOVIET COOPERATION IN THAT REGARD.  
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